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News briefs

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U.S.: No resolution, no inspectors

VIENNA, Austria—Despite an agreement between U.N. and Iraqi officials, the U.S. will oppose the return of U.N. weapons inspectors to Iraq without a new mandate from the U.N. Security Council. Iraqi officials agreed to give U.N. weapons inspectors unrestricted access to most but not all - of their country, with inspectors planning to return in mid-October unless the Security Council stops them. Powell said the U.S. does not want the inspectors to return before the Security Council passes a new resolution that threatens "consequences" if Iraq obstructs their efforts. The tough stance in Washington comes as Iraqi and U.N. negotiators meeting in Austria announced Tuesday that Iraq has agreed to allow the inspectors to return and that an advance team was scheduled to arrive in Baghdad in about

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two weeks.

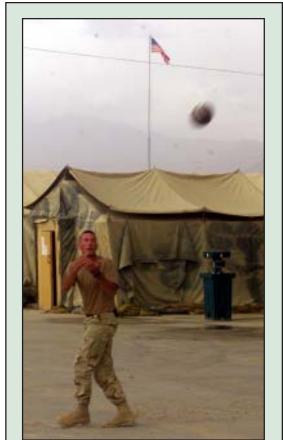


Photo by Spc. Ron Reeves, 300th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

Time for another throw

Sgt. Maj. Curtis L. Regan, 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, N.C., throws around a football with his soldiers before rain hit Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan.

CHLC officer helps rebuild Afghanistan

By Staff Sgt. Zelda Thomas-Gates 300th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

KABUL, Afghanistan — Back home in Knoxville, Tenn., Capt. Rodriguez Titus was a contractor at Syntax Rogers. This experience led to his being assigned as a Public Works Officer to augment the 489th Civil Affairs Battalion to do assessments throughout Afghanistan.

However, it has also led to some startling discoveries.

"It has been my experience from going to different places like Kabul, Mazar-e-Sharif and Bagram that the projects

that get the most attention are the ones within the city limits or very closely located," Titus said. "The outlying villages seem to get neglected. For this reason we're concentrating extensively on these remote villages."

Many of the projects the Herat team assessed and sent to the Coalition Joint Civil Military Operations Task Force for funding are located in the outlying villages of Herat.

"We have had a lot of success getting projects funded by CJCMOTF," Titus said. "We recently had seven schools approved in outlying vil-

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Rumsfeld: Measure Iraq by its action

By Kathleen T. Rhem

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein has proven time and again he can't be trusted. And Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld took to the podium Monday to point that out.

In the most recent flaunting of United Nations' intentions, Iraq sent a

letter to that body Sept. 16 claiming it was ready to allow weapons inspectors to Iraq "without conditions." Iraq cited a desire to complete implementation of relevant Security Council resolutions and "remove any doubts that Iraq still possesses weapons of mass destruction," according to Rumsfeld.

"Hopeful people around the world found solace in those words,"

Rumsfeld said during a Pentagon press briefing. "Unfortunately Iraq's behavior over the past decade requires that thoughtful people measure Iraq by its actions as opposed to its words."

Within hours of the arrival of that letter, Iraq was again firing at U.S. and Coalition aircraft in the northern and

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southern no-fly zones, Rumsfeld said.

Since that letter, Iraq has fired upon coalition aircraft 67 times, including 14 times over the past weekend. "That ought to tell reasonable people something," Rumsfeld said.

Three days after the letter, Iraq's foreign minister spoke to the United Nations to place conditions on any future inspections, saying Iraq's security and sovereignty were at risk.

Iraq has violated numerous U.N. resolutions since the end of the Persian Gulf War. Rumsfeld highlighted an example.

U.N. Resolution 688, which in April 1991 stipulated Iraq must stop repress-

ing its own people, including minorities, Rumsfeld said. Soon after agreeing with the resolution, Iraq began to "systematically attack" minorities in both the northern and southern portions of the country.

Coalition nations, including Britain and the United States established the northern and southern no-fly zones in August 1992 "to halt that outrage and to protect Iraqi citizens from further bombings and helicopter attacks," Rumsfeld said.

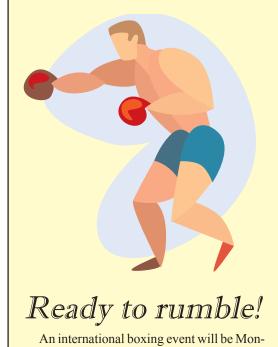
Almost immediately, Iraq began using surface-to-air missiles and air-defense artillery to fire on Coalition pilots enforcing those zones. "That Iraqi aggression ... continues to this day," Rumsfeld said.

Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Air Force Gen. Richard Myers added that over the past three years, Iraqi air-defense artillery has fired at coalition air-craft more than 1,000 times, launched 600 rockets, and fired nearly 60 surface-to-air missiles.

He noted Iraqi aircraft have violated the no-fly zones at least seven times this year.

Rumsfeld said, American responses to repeated acts of aggression aren't the problem; Iraq firing on coalition aircrews enforcing U.N. sanctions is.

"Over the years, the Iraqi regime has shown a great deal of cleverness in playing the international community and the world's media," Rumsfeld said.



An international boxing event will be Monday, 10:30 a.m. (Z), at Task Force 28 on Bagram Air Base.

Tickets for the event are \$10 and can be purchased at Bagram's Morale, Welfare and Recreation building. All proceeds go to charity.

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lages. Some of them are over a 100 kilometers away from the city. It takes a full day to drive there because the roads are very rough."

As a result, the team has to spend the night to check the contractor's work and progress.

"The (Coalition Humanitarian Liaison Cell) ensures we are getting a fair product for what we are paying. It takes a lot of time out of the days and it requires a lot of manpower," Titus explained. "This is the reason why a lot of non-government organizations don't want to travel to remote locations."

He continued, "I have a deep respect for the trigger pullers, the guys who are out there on the frontlines, conducting missions in the mountains, but there isn't a more rewarding job than what we are doing. We are actually winning the hearts and minds of the people of Afghanistan."

Titus said he believes that in about 10 to 15 years, the young people will be adults and they will be making decisions that will affect their country. The things that the team is doing right now hopefully will still be in their minds and assist with foreign relationships with other countries and the U.S.

"I get great satisfaction knowing what we are doing makes a difference in the minds of young people," Titus said. "I ran into one young fellow about 15 years old and he said, 'When I get out of school, I am going to travel around the world and tell everyone that I meet how good the Americans have been to Afghanistan and everything they have done to help.'

"It only takes one person like

that to tell everyone that he meets—it is a wonderful payoff. It is an amazing feeling helping these people out and knowing that they appreciate what we are doing. I think this will have a lasting effect on the younger generation growing up right now and it will help America in the long run," said Titus.

The mission of CJCMOTF and its 13 CHLCs is rebuilding the infrastructure of the Afghan nation. Everywhere the CHLC teams go, the local community thanks them and offers tea and candy.

"I have yet to go to one of the villages and not be thanked or invited in for tea," Titus said. "They will offer you everything that they have to eat or drink, even though they don't have much. They give more than most people in the United States when they invite you to their homes."

Labor Day Run T-shirts

The Bagram Air Base Labor Day Run T-shirts are now available for people who ordered them in large.

Contact Maj. Robert Zaza or Sgt. Samuel Huseby at DSN 303-587-5663 to arrange for pickup.

Sizes small, medium and extra-large have not yet arrived, but are expected in a few days.

HIND SIGHT

1263

At Largs, King Alexander III of Scotland repelled an amphibious invasion by King Haakon IV of Norway.

1535

Having landed in Quebec a month ago, Jacques Cartier reaches a town, which he names Montreal.

1870

The papal states voted in favor of union with Italy.
The capital is moved from Florence to Rome.

1909

Orville Wright set an altitude record, flying at 1,600 feet. This exceeded Hubert Latham's previous record of 508 feet.

1950

The comic strip *Peanuts*, by Charles M. Schultz, made its first appearance in newspapers.

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U.S. stock market comeback

NEW YORK — The Dow Jones industrial average made a fighting comeback with a triple-digit rally Tuesday, posting its strongest gain in six weeks at the start of a new month and new quarter. The 30-share Dow, the world's most widely watched stock average, jumped 347 points, with much of the gains coming late in the session, after news that Iraq had agreed to allow the return of U.N. weapons inspectors. The chance of a war with Iraq has unnerved investors in recent months, contributing to one of the worst market sell offs in recent memory.

Indonesia steps up anti-terror efforts

JAKARTA, Indonesia — Indonesia's military has revived its counter-terrorism unit and intelligence authorities are sending a team to the United States to interrogate an al Qaeda suspect arrested in the republic in June this year. The suspect, Omar al-Faruq, reportedly confessed to U.S. authorities of using Indonesia as a base to plan attacks on U.S. embassies across Southeast Asia. A story published last week by *Time* magazine also quoted regional intelligence reports and a CIA document alleging al-Faruq twice attempted to assassinate Indonesia's President Megawati Sukarnoputri and carried out a string of church bombings in Indonesia that killed 18 people in 2000.

Bagram Air Base MWR movies

The Bagram Air Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation staff present "Signs" tonight at 1530Z at the MWR building.

Tomorrow's movie will be "Clock-stoppers," showing at the same time.

Local weather

TWO-DAY REGIONAL WEATHER REPORT:

| | Today | Thursday |
|-------------|---|----------------------------------|
| Bagram: | Mostly sunny H: 82F L: 46F | Mostly sunny H: 86F L: 46F |
| Kandahar: | Sunny H: 90F L: 50F | <i>Haze</i> H: 90F L: 50F |
| Kabul: | <i>Mostly sunny</i> H: 84F L: 46F | Mostly sunny H: 86F L: 45F |
| Uzbekistan: | Sunny H: 89F | <i>Sunny</i> H: 86F |

Weather forecast courtesy of the Bagram Combat Weather Team

L: 50F

L: 51F

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2002 Major League playoff game summaries

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Yankees stun Angels with late inning magic

NEW YORK (AP) — Bernie Williams and the New York Yankees had a little leftover late-inning magic.

Jason Giambi hit a tying single with two outs in the eighth inning and Williams followed with a three-run homer, providing another stunning Yankee Stadium comeback as New York beat the Anaheim Angels 8-5 Tuesday night in Game 1 of the AL division series.

Showing the same flair for the dramatic that fueled last year's postseason run to Game 7 of the World Series, the Yankees rallied to win in the eighth inning to spoil the Angels' first postseason game in 16 years.

After Troy Glaus' second homer put Anaheim ahead 5-4 in the top of the eighth, the Yankees took advantage of a questionable decision by Anaheim manager Mike Scioscia.

Ben Weber started the inning and retired the first two batters before walking Alfonso Soriano.

With closer Troy Percival warming up, Scioscia stuck with Weber, who walked Derek Jeter.

Scioscia then brought in lefty Scott Schoeneweis, even though Percival had struck out Giambi five times in five career at-bats.

Giambi hit a hard one-hopper that deflected off first baseman Scott Spiezio's glove into right field, scoring Soriano with the tying run.

Williams worked the count to 1-2 against Brendan Donnelly and then hit a drive to right field for his 17th career postseason home run and Yankee Stadium began rocking again as it did last fall.

Twins rally, steal one from A's

OAKLAND, Calif. — In the first two postseason innings of their lives, the young Minnesota Twins made three errors, allowed four unearned runs and reached their boiling point.

It wasn't the way October was supposed to be for the Twins, particularly the ones who've been dreaming of the playoffs since their days together in the low minors. There was an emotional dugout scene—and the jitters evaporated, replaced by hard-nosed play and growing confidence.

A.J. Pierzynski had four hits, and Corey Koskie homered and drove in three runs as the Twins overcame an early deficit and a series of fielding blunders to beat the Oakland Athletics 7-5 Tuesday in the first game of the AL division series.

It wasn't a happy time when the Twins came back to the dugout down 5-1 in the second inning of the franchise's first postseason game since winning the 1991 World Series — largely thanks to their own mistakes, including an infield popup that four Twins allowed to drop untouched.

2002 Major League playoffs

American League

New York vs. Anaheim

Oct. 1

N.Y. Yankees 8, Anaheim 5, Yankees lead 1-0

Wednesday

Anaheim (Appier 14-12) at New York (Pettitte 13-5)

Friday

New York (Mussina 18-10) at Anaheim (Ra. Ortiz 15-9)

Saturday

New York (Wells 19-7) at Anaheim, if necessary

Sunday

Anaheim at New York, if necessary

Minnesota vs. Oakland

Oct. 1

Minnesota 7, Oakland 5, Twins lead 1-0

Wednesday

Minnesota (Mays 4-9) at Oakland (Mulder 19-7)

Friday

Oakland (Zito 22-5) at Minnesota (Reed 15-7)

Saturday

Oakland at Minnesota, if necessary

Sunday

Minnesota at Oakland, if necessary

National League

Atlanta vs. San Francisco

Wednesday

San Fran. (Ru. Ortiz 14-10) at Atlanta (Glavine 18-10)

Thursday

San Fran. (Rueter 14-8) at Atlanta (Maddux 16-6)

Saturday

Atlanta (Millwood 18-8) at San Fran. (Schmidt 13-8)

Sunday

Atlanta at San Francisco, if necessary

Monday

San Francisco at Atlanta, if necessary

Arizona vs. St. Louis

Today

St. Louis (Morris 17-9) at Arizona (Johnson 24-5)

Thursday

St. Louis (Finley 7-4) at Arizona (Schilling 23-7)

Saturday

Arizona (Batista 8-9) at St. Louis (Williams 9-4)

Sunday

Arizona at St. Louis, if necessary

Monday

St. Louis at Arizona, if necessary

Gordon wins NASCAR Winston Cup Protection One 400

KANSAS CITY, Kansas — Jeff Gordon held off rookie Ryan Newman following a restart with three laps remaining Sunday to win the crash-marred NASCAR Winston Cup Protection One 400 for the second year in a row.

Winless through the first 24 events of the season, Gordon recorded his third victory in the last six races and the 61st of his career.

"It was a good day for us," said Gordon, who started 10th at Kansas Speedway in a Chevrolet Monte Carlo. "When we unloaded off the truck on Friday, we were pretty awesome. I felt good from our win here last year and from the test we had with Goodyear.

"You just had that feeling, you could just sense that we had something that was going to be strong for today. When they dropped the green (flag) and I drove by a couple of cars, I knew right then it was going to be a good day."

Newman finished .618 seconds behind Gordon in a Ford Taurus and was followed by his Penkse Racing teammate Rusty Wallace, Joe Nemechek and Bill Elliott.

Mark Martin's bid for an elusive Winston Cup championship hit a setback after the points leader went to the garage with about 17 laps left due to engine failure.

Rookie Jimmie Johnson, who finished a lap down in 10th place, climbed atop the standings for the first time in his brief career. Battling back from a flat tire, Johnson took an 11-point lead over Martin.

"That's great," Johnson said. "Unfortunately, we had a flat tire. It cost us and we got down, but we had a great race car and a great team and we weren't going to let it get us down."

"I used to have a lousy job at a gas station, but the Air Force changed all that." kevin_kilgore@hotmail.com By Kevin Kilgore Laugh Support

2002 NASCAR Standings

- 1. R-Jimmie Johnson 3824 (3 wins)
- 2. Mark Martin 3813 (1)
- 3. Tony Stewart 3788 (3)
- 4. Jeff Gordon 3715 (3)
- 5. Sterling Marlin 3703 (2)
- 6. Rusty Wallace 3687
- 7. R-Ryan Newman 3670 (1)
- 8. Matt Kenseth 3631 (4)
- 9. Bill Elliott 3623 (2)
- 10. Ricky Rudd 3542 (1)
- 11. Kurt Busch 3469 (1)
- 12. Dale Jarrett 3456 (2)
- 13. Dale Earnhardt Jr. 3296 (1)
- 14. Jeff Burton 3282
- 15. Michael Waltrip 3215 (1)
- 16. Ricky Craven 3169
- 17. Jeff Green 3069
- 18. Bobby Labonte 3023 (1)
- 19. Robby Gordon 2957
- 20. Dave Blaney 2955

Money leaders

- 1. Mark Martin \$4,504,594
- 2. Ward Burton \$4,205,319
- 3. Jeff Gordon \$4,121,082
- 4. Tony Stewart \$3,890,543
- 5. Ryan Newman \$3,813,476
- 6. Sterling Marlin \$3,711,150
- 7. Rusty Wallace \$3,360,785
- 8. Ricky Rudd \$3,309,819
- 9. Dale Jarrett \$3,294,443
- 10. Matt Kenseth \$3,250,102